

Remarks

Applicants submit that this Amendment is being presented in order to perfect the claim for benefit of an earlier filing date. Entry of this Amendment does not any new matter and such action is respectfully requested.

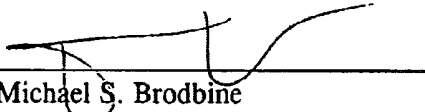
Applicants submit that the application is in condition for allowance and respectfully request a notice to that affect. If the Examiner believes that a telephone conference will advance the prosecution of this application, such a conference is invited at the convenience of the Examiner.

Applicants have calculated no additional fee to be due in connection with the filing of this Paper. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency incurred as a result of the filing of this Paper to the deposit account of Applicants' Assignee, Ford Global Technologies LLC, Deposit Account No. 06-1510. A duplicate copy of this Paper is enclosed for this purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

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